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HIT THE GOVERNOR

LEWELLING ACCOSTED BY A TRAMP
AND HE DIGS UP A QUARTER.

He Thought, However, That He Recognized the Gentleman as a Man Whom He Caught Fooling With His Chickens When He Was Engaged in the Poultry Business.

How does Governor Lewelling treat tramps, himself? This has probably been asked many times since his recent proclamation. An experiment was tried last night.

"I want a stick fellow to do a job quick," said an EAGLE reporter to the proprietor of a 15-cent lodging house last night. "Any crooked fellow in it?"

"No,"

"All right, then, John, come here."

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"Where you ever a tramp?" asked the reporter.

"Yes, sah."

"Can you play tramp tonight?"

"Yes, sah, you bet; if there is anything in it."

"Do you know Governor Lewelling?"

"Yes, sah. I know him when he handled chickens, boss."

"Can't you look tough and strike him for the price of a bed?"

"Lewell, no. Dat man Lewelling would have me in jail."

"Why?"

"Why Lawd, white man, I've done took more chickens from dat man than would buy a farm."

"All right, then, you're my huckleberry."

In three minutes more John was transformed into an aspidochelone of a tramp and was found in a day's travel.

Five minutes later he shuffled up to Governor Lewelling in the billiard hall of the Carey.

"Saw, boss, couldn't you give me the price of a bed?"

The governor looked at the tramp in astonishment, and after surveying him from head to foot said:

"Where do you hail from?"

"From Neodesha."

"What are you doing here?"

"Looking for work, boss."

"I don't care much for your grand claims in Venice or your castles on the Rhine, but Bobby Burns' cottage—well, I'll have it framed, mind you."

Hundreds of copies were given out during the day and the rush was so much greater than what was expected that a fresh supply was ordered before noon.

Last night the orders began to pour in from the surrounding towns in Kansas and Oklahoma. The mail was packed with letters directed to the coupon department of the Wichita EAGLE.

Everybody acknowledges that the book is a beautiful one. The engravings are all made fresh from new plates and there is not a Christmas book on the market today that surpasses it in elegance.

At her home, 926 South Emporia avenue, Mrs. W. E. Marsh entertained last evening in honor of her son, Arthur. The house was decorated with beautiful lights and flowers.

Those present were Misses N. Gilbert, Edith Wilson, Lena McNeese, Ina Hodge, Lillian King, Minnie Lane, Maud Adams, Edith Adams, Anna Haver, Jennie Kelly, Lillian Kelly, Jessie Reynolds, Virginia Erich, Bessie Broadway and Claude McCoy, Messrs. Jimmie Woodland, Hal McCoy, Bert Weaver, Coral Roberts, Jean Baiding, Harry Hunt, Charles King, E. J. Colver, Guy King, Ellis Bailey, Harry Hough, Edwin Stover, Harry Hawley and Amos Sides.

TWO FOR EVERY FAMILY.

On the second page of this morning's EAGLE you will find a coupon numbered 4. In addition to this two more coupons will be published for part first of the beautiful art portfolio. If you want a complete book you must secure part first. If you secure part first there is no danger of your not wanting all the rest.

The portfolios given out yesterday were the talk of the town. You will regret it if you do not cut out three coupons and send them, together with 8 cents in coin, to the coupon department of the Wichita EAGLE. One family taking the EAGLE can thus secure two copies of every part.

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POMPOUS POULTRY PAGEANT.

Proud Cockneys, Wincos, Pullets, Sedate Hens, Strutting Turkeys.

The interest in the great chicken exhibit increases daily. The show is like wine, it gets better as it grows older. Many attractions were added yesterday. Visitors are present from all over the state. Incubators have been added, to hatch out eggs as fast as they are laid.



THE BIRD WITH ANCESTORS.

The cut represents the smallest specimen on exhibition. He is a thoroughbred Buff Cochins, whose ancestors roosted in the rigging of the Mayflower. He is five minutes old, and is always on hand.

The largest bird is Billy Jones' rooster, which stands four foot-two in his stocking feet.

People don't know what a really handsome collection of beautiful fowls are on exhibition in the Ghetto block in this city. The show lasts all the week.

HAS MADE A GREAT HIT.

Kash for the Beautiful Art Portfolio. Wholly Without Precedent.

It has made a great hit. Everybody recognized that. Big and little, poor and well-to-do, filed into the counting rooms of the EAGLE yesterday, each with three coupons and eight cents, and secured part first of the beautiful art portfolio. That is what they called it—beautiful.

And just as soon as a man got possession of one he backed up against the wall and looked at every one of the sixteen engravings before leaving. No one was disappointed.

The rush began early and was restricted to grown-up people for a time. The clerks were to be treated to a surprise later on. A few minutes after 4 o'clock the front door flew open and a noisy army of school children took possession of the office.

By storm, they came, boys and girls of all sorts and sizes and they produced coupons in all degrees of ragged dilapidation and pennies in all stages of discoloration. But they every one secured part first and religiously counted the engravings to see if they were all there.

One particularly interesting scene occurred during the afternoon. A shaggy old Scotsman, who gave his name as Gordon Ross, secured a copy. He began looking over the book wisely and commented on the pictures with a very critical air. Suddenly he looked up with every line in his face doing its best to make up one prodigious smile and said: "That's it. That's the dear old place. I have seen it myself."

"What's that?" asked the man at the window.

"Why, Bobby Burns' cottage. Ah, my lad you don't know how that touches my heart. And for 8 cents, why, that's a bargain. I don't care much for your grand claims in Venice or your castles on the Rhine, but Bobby Burns' cottage—well, I'll have it framed, mind you."

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At 2:30 p. m. let the whole membership assemble at the church for a general prayer and testimonial service. We desire that our business men leave their places of business and work for an hour, to meet with the church this afternoon. Let the whole church rally to this meeting. A mighty battle is before us.

Don'ts, Col.

The meeting at the First M. E. church still continues with unabated interest. On Sunday evening the spirit of conviction was deep and pungent. The altar was filled with penitents, and many believed and were saved. Last night the church was filled with an interested audience. The spirit of the meeting was deeply serious, and a number turned to Christ. Preaching by the pastor this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Another meeting at the First M. E. church this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Ladies of different churches will take part in this meeting. The meeting of last week was well attended, and one of great interest and earnestness. We hope for a large attendance this afternoon. Don'ts, Col.

GONE TO THE WAR.

WICHITA TALENT ENGAGED TO PUT DOWN THE BRAZILIAN WAR.

Willis Metcalf With Drawn Sword and a Captain's Commission Sails With Thirty Columbian Guards for Brazil to Assist Peixoto in Crushing De Mello's Rebellion.

The spirit of valor is abroad in the land. Wichita has one son who has drawn his sword for King William of Germany, to day new names that another son of the Peopless Princess has cast his fortunes with the destinies of the constitutional government of the republic of Brazil.

Willis Metcalf is now on his way to South America at the head of thirty of the Columbian guards that were on duty at the world's fair to resist the rebellious citizens of that country and shed his blood for the maintenance of the republic. A letter received at police headquarters from Vera Cruz tells that he has secured a commission as captain in the army of President Peixoto. He left New Orleans with thirty men some three weeks ago, and was about to take a direct route for Rio, but fearing that he might fall into the hands of Admiral De Mello, who was then bombarding the harbor, he concluded to go by the isthmus. He accordingly went to Vera Cruz, and from there will travel by land to the republic of Brazil.

The thirty men who were with him were picked from the crack riflemen and tacticians of the Columbian guards, who, no doubt, will be valuable as drill-masters to the recruits of the Brazilians. Most of them are men who have been in service in the regular army of the United States.

Willis Metcalf was captain of the light artillery company of this city, but resigned previous to his departure for South America. It is said that he obtained the commission, as well as the expenses of travel, from an agent of the Brazilian government who was in Chicago.

Willis never served actual war service except the Stevens county war and the legislative war at Topeka last winter. But he was bloodless wars and it is a hard matter to tell how he will act under the actual fire.

After the Stevens county war was over and his company was journeying homeward, he took a notion to practice with his Gatling gun on the prairie dogs along the road, only to find that the cartridges were one size too large for the gun.

He has lived in Wichita for seven or eight years, having come here from Caldwell where he was constable and deputy marshal during the cowboy days.

He is said to be a fine tactician, and he may yet reflect the same honor on the Peopless Princess that Napoleon reflected on Corsica.

FAVORS SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

A Movement On Foot Looking Towards the Separation of White and Colored Pupils.

A meeting has been arranged by some prominent colored citizens of this city for the purpose of discussing the question of having separate schools for the colored children.

It is out of the ordinary for such a movement to originate among the colored people themselves, and whether it will amount to anything remains to be seen.

The laws of Kansas provide that in cities of the first class colored and white children shall have separate schools, and this law is now in operation at Topeka, Leavenworth and Kansas City, Kan.

Some three or four years ago a delegation of colored people of this city went to Topeka, and through the instrumentality of Senator Bentley had a special act passed whereby Wichita maintains mixed schools. One of that committee was O. L. Boyd, quite an intelligent barber on North Market street. He is now one of the leaders in the movement for a separation.

"I think," said an EAGLE reporter, "that separate schools would be more conducive to the intellectual welfare of the colored children than mixed schools, and that is the reason I am anxious to see the matter discussed from an intellectual and unprejudiced standpoint."

"Why do you think so?"

"I am quite satisfied that colored teachers could do more for the education of colored children than white teachers."

Your idea, then, is to have colored teachers for the colored schools.

Precisely. With mixed schools it is impossible for us to have colored teachers, and I think we would never consent to have our children taught by either a colored man or a colored woman. There are many colored taxpayers in this city who think that colored teachers ought to be appointed in proportion to the colored population, but I know enough about the matter to know that that never will be done. So, then, being the case, I am in favor of colored schools and colored teachers. It is needless for me to argue that a colored child will learn more from a teacher of his own color than he can from a white teacher. The white teacher knows nothing of the nature of the mind of a colored child, and I believe that a knowledge of the child's nature is not only essential, but I think that a teacher should know something of their habits and mode of living to have the right effect on their minds. From the nature of things this is impossible. While teachers will not be of the same race and hence they have no opportunity of knowing the wants of their children.

"But your plan would be expensive as it would necessitate the maintenance of duplicate school buildings."

"No, not at all. It would not require more than one school for all the colored pupils in the city. This could be located so as to accommodate the greatest number. It could be located, for instance, in the Second ward where nine-tenths of the colored people of the city reside. The Catholics maintain a school of their own. It is centrally located, and I am informed that nine out of every ten Catholic children in the city attend it, and find distance no material interference. The colored people are more compactly located than the Catholics are, and hence one school would accommodate them better. I would say, however, that the high school should be kept open for colored children, for the reason that a high school is maintained for colored children alone would be too expensive. Besides, I doubt whether there would be enough colored pupils in the city sufficiently advanced in studies to warrant the city in keeping a corps of high school teachers for their benefit. Personally, I have no kick to make, but this matter is at present engaging the attention of quite a number of colored citizens."

Miss L. Loney of Augusta, Ga., will speak of "Education of the Freedman" at the First Presbyterian church this evening, Dec. 14. Miss Loney is a colored woman, who has charge of Haines Normal and Industrial school at Augusta, Ga. This address will take the place of the regular prayer meeting of the church.

M. A. Naylor.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.

This delightful entertainment given by the Young Peoples' chapter of St. John's church in the Valley block opens this evening with the following, principally, a military program:

Piano Solo—Mrs. J. C. Lyeth. Selected. Recitation—Mary Walker. The Rescue. Exhibition—Wichita Light Infantry.

The reputation of Miss Mathilda Lennon as an artist, unequalled in the west, and for all who love the dear old Scotch ballads, Saturday evening will have a special charm. The program will read, about explanatory notes between the selections, which are all from standard authors, as seen below:

Trios—No. 1. Op. 35—Andante and Allegro. Mrs. J. C. Lyeth. Selected. Mrs. J. C. Lyeth. Selected. Mrs. J. C. Lyeth. Selected.

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